Tobacco Referendum Will Be Held On Dec. 29th

Notices of individual farm acreage allotments are now being mailed to operators of farms on which Burley tobacco was grown during the past 5 years, W. D. Hix, III, chairman of the County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee, has announced.

These notices were sent in advance of the December 29 marketing quota referendum in order that farmers may know how the quotas they are voting on would effect their individual farming operations for 1956. The 1956 national marketing quota of 365 million pounds converted to acres, results in 263,250 acres of allotment in 1956, compared with 310,000 acres in 1955. The smaller allotment for 1956 means that the 1956 Burley allotment for most farms will be about 15 per cent less than in 1955.

Growers voting in the reerendum may approve or disapprove marketing quotas for the 1956, 1957, and 1958 crops of Burley tobacco. Chairman Hix explained that the outcome of the referendum will affect the 1956 tobacco program as follows:

If at least two-thirds of the total votes are favorable, marketing quotas and acreage allotments will be in effect for the Burley tobacco crop, penalties will be assessed on "excess" tobacco, and price support averaging 90 per cent of parity will be available.

If more than one-third of the votes are unfavorable, there will be no marketing quotas, no acreage allotments, no penalties, and no price supports. Also, if quotas should be turned down, another referendum would be held next year on quotas for the following three Burley crops.

Voting places for the three districts in Appomattox County will be:

Oakville District — Oakville Voting Precinct.

Clover Hill District —Old Court House.

Southside District — ASC office at Appomattox.

Polls will be open from 8:00 A. M. until 6:00 P. M.

Memorial Fund Passes $7,000; More Sought

Contributions to the Dr. David A. Christian III Memorial Fund now total $7,046.27. Treasurer W. C. Dudley explains that this figure represents actual contributions on hand. "Many persons have made pledges which when paid will increase the total," he said.

A number of individuals made contributions to the Memorial Fund at the time of the funeral of Dr. David A. Christian, Jr. While the present total is substantial, C. T. Moses, Jr., Chairman of the fund-raising committee, points out that a renewal of effort is necessary to reach the established goal.

Harry Lawson Dies in Bluefield

Funeral rites for Harry H. Lawson, 54, prominent Bluefield wholesale executive who died Thursday at 4 P. M., in Bluefield Sanitarium, were conducted Saturday at 3:30 P. M. from the chapel of Hawkins Funeral Home, Bluefield.

The Rev. Waddell Waters, pastor of College Avenue Baptist Church, was assisted by the Rev. Paul L. Royer, pastor of Immanuel Lutheran Church. Interment was made in Monte Vista Park Cemetery.

Mr. Lawson, a resident of Bluefield for the past 35 years, was vice president and general manager of Dixie Appliance Company of Bluefield and Roanoke. He had undergone major surgery three times within the last two years but had gone about his duties until two days before the last operation on December 6.

Mr. Lawson went to Bluefield in 1920 as a timekeeper on Appalachian Power and West Virginian Hotel construction jobs soon after completing his education at Appomattox High School and Blackstone Military Academy.

A pioneer in radio merchandising, he was with the old VanZandt Supply and Flat Top Auto Supply Companies in Bluefield from 1924 until 1938. He managed the concern for awhile and then bought out the business.

He joined the appliance sales staff of Bluefield Supply Co. in 1938 and when a subsidiary, Dixie Appliance Co., was formed in the fall of 1945, he became the new company's general manager.

Besides his widow, the former Miss Annabelle Honaker, whom he married on Dec. 20, 1923, Mr. Lawson is survived by five brothers and two sisters. They are Raymond and Alfred Lawson, of Appomattox; Richard and Roland Lawson, of Lynchburg; Maxwell Lawson, of East Orange, N. J.; Mrs. Watt Stanley and Mrs. Anderson Scruggs, both of Appomattox. An aunt, Mrs. M. T. Shipman, of Williamsburg, also survives.

Those from Appomattox attending the funeral services were Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Lawson, Mrs. Watt Stanley, Miss Mary Watt Stanley, and Bobby and Fred Lawson, and Mrs. Anderson Scruggs. Also Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Lawson and Mr. Roland Lawson, of Lynchburg.

SOCIAL SECURITY REPRESENTATIVE HERE TUESDAY, DECEMBER 27

Inasmuch as Monday, December 26, is a legal holiday, James A. Byers, Field Representative, Social Security Administration, Lynchburg, will make the regular monnhly trip to Appomattox on Tuesday, December 27 instead.

Persons interested in tarnsacting Social Security business should contact Mr. Byers at the court house on Tuesday, December 27, at 10 A. M.

Dial 2811 with Personals.

Virdon of the Cards is voted the National League rookie of the year.

Izvestia, official Soviet newspaper, said release of the remainder of German war prisoners would hang upon repatriation of more than 100,000 Soviet nationals now in West Germany.

January 9 is the date Virginia on calling of a stitutional convention.

Secretary Humphrey tory over inflation.

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BIBLE SPEAKS

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...Scripture: Luke 1:5-60; ...Reading: Isaiah 11:1-9.

ristmas Songs

...be December 25, 1955

...ngels sing when Christ ...born? Some prosaic and ...ctive people say they ...ow enough. Luke never ...was music. All he ...that the "multitude of the ...host" (he does not even ...they were angels) were prais- ...and "saying, Glory to ...the high- ...Surely ...art and ...story is ...ning in ...d of this ...t never ...ities or ...ating. At ...ow if the ...ot sing ...ch the ...ss sang them. All down ...the Christian centuries ...has been a singing ...cannot suggest all that ...means in simple spok- ...you have to sing.

...ngled World

...who had an ear for such ...put into his gospel not ...four poems connected ...birth of Christ. Of these ...y is the highest" is the ...The others are the words ...(Luke 1:47-55), of Zac- ...(1:68-79) and of Simeon ...(2:29-32). In the R.S.V. ...printed as poetry, as ...ly are. (The reader will ...these poetic passages, but ...in four most famous ...The church has set all ...music many times over, ...ans churches they are ...y week. Mary's song like ...has been given a Latin ...from their first words in ...Bible: "Magnificat" for ...ing, "Benedictus" for ...), "Gloria in excelsis" ...ngels', and "Nunc Dimit- ...Simeon's. But modern ...ers do not always real- ...each of these poems was ...th in some way by the ...ans. This is as it should ...poetry is to language ...and, the coming of Christ ...world of humanity. In ...of all the jangling, ...maddening and often ...man noises of the world, ...ise of all the stupid ordi- ...forgotten outpouring of ...talk, a lovely poem ...ring beauty and mean- ...rose in a junk-yard. ...midst of our jangling ...Christ comes bringing ...and joy and peace

...Not Listen

...so too many—Christ- ...mean nothing. "Silent ...s time to be tired of. ...sure. The angels might ...have sung, the Story ...mas. Readers of TIME ...will recall an article ...in about a writer who ...of many men and wom- ...times. He knows there ...thing as the way of Love, ...runs on every church ...d, and every Christ- ...flings it. But he will ...it. He chooses the way ...and despair. To him, ...wandering in the dark, ...but his own candle ...soon go out.

...More Heard

...other hand there are ...among them some of ...best, who have found ...ition faith something ...merely a story, a love- ...a song for little chil- ...ning which it would ...but impossible, to ...Bad book to get for ...ar is one called "This ...about Jesus Christ" ...J. C. Montana; Revell ...York). It is a col- ...testimonies to Jesus ...an impressive variety ...women. College pres- ...dents of great busi- ...scientists, politicians, ...many walks of life, ...the same theme, what ...meant to them. Any ...thinks that Christianity ...only for weak char- ...to read this book. ...who thinks that Christ ...es only to children, ...read this book and ...The writers by their ...show that not alone ...and legend-loving ...only for simple peas- ...remote lands, but for ...hard-headed, highly ...advanced with great re- ...Christ brings mean- ...ing as well as power. ...in every land join ...hosts in praise to God ...given us his Son.

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NEWS FOR VETERANS

Hundreds of severely disabled veterans who might still be on the sidelines have gained a new start toward independent living through a Veterans Administration program of "work adjustment training."

The program, tailored to fit the needs of each veteran, is designed to help him master the fundamentals of day-to-day living and working—things that the able-bodied take for granted, but that seem like almost insurmountable obstacles to the seriously handicapped.

It is not designed to train him thoroughly for a specific job; that can come later, VA said, once he gets past the initial hurdles.

Most "work adjustment tarining" has been provided for disabled veterans in sheltered workshops and rehabilitation centers, where they can receive the sympathetic and understanding attention so necessary in their first steps of adjustment to the work-a-day world. A few vocational schools also offer this training.

The program has four goals, VA said, all related to the end of restoring the veteran to a useful life:

It helps him acquire fundamental work capacities — such as training a double arm amputee to manipulate books in handling papers for a filing job.

It helps him gain personal confidence that he is able to work. In some instances, severe handicaps tend to create a "what's the use?" attitude. This attitude has to be conquored before the trainee can go on to other things, VA said.

It helps him to adjust to work activities and to his associates on the job—to feel that, despite his handicape, he "belongs"; he is a part of his place of work, rather than apart from it.

And it helps him develop fitness for a regular program of vocational training that can follow or, if that is not needed, for employment.

Through "work adjustment training," severely disabled veterans already have prepared for jobs as draftsmen, office workers, restaurant workers, leatherworkers, wood-workers, radio repairmen, printers, bookbinders and many more.

Health and Beauty

You Can Lengthen Your Years

Some people neglect their property until it gets into such a state of dilapidation that it would fail to pieces if no efforts were made to repair it. An antomobile must be furnished with lubrication and gasoline and kept in good condition. Now and then it is taken to an expert for adjustment and a general overhauling.

The human body also suffers from neglect and lack of care and mus. be supplied with proper food, periods of rest, etc. Overwork for the human body is like grit in the cylinder of a car. The machinery of a car must be kept clean and well-oiled; otherwise, it will be ground down by friction. Machinery should be properly handled. If a car is driven at excessive speed it will wear out far more quickly than at a moderate rate. This holds good for the human body, too.

When in general practice, the writer was often called to some remote cabin to see the sick. Everything about the place spoke of ignorance and utter shiftlessness. Ignorance, laziness, and poverty as a rule are found together.

Among this class of people their very appearance tells the story. The women, especially, age early. You will sometimes see women of twenty-five or thirty with dull, listless eyes, discolored, wrinkled skin and dry, lifeless hair. Their backs are bent, and their facial expressions bespeak hopelessness and stupidity. Poor things! They have known nothing but hard work, ignorance, and poverty all their lives. They live on a diet of salt pork, bleached and denatured white flour, and food in general which is demineralized and devitamin zed. The result is malnutrition, premature old age, and disease.

If you take persons of that kind out of their environment, feed them properly, and give them a little rest and recreation, in a few months their appearance will change entirely. The rough, wrinkled skin will become smooth and more youthful. The sore tongues and inflamed eyes from which they suffer will heal. No longer are they tired all the time but become vigorous enough to do a reasonable amount of work. Nourishment and hope have made the difference. Such cases clearly show us that health or premature old age is largely a matter of nutrition.

When malnutrition weakens the body, the brain suffers along with the rest of the system. It all adds up to disease and early senility.

So everything in this world should be cared for properly; machinery, property of every kind, animals, and the most important of all, the human body. Take yourself once in a while to the doctor as you do your automobile for a check-up by an expert.

In regard to nutrition, as age comes on, it is necessary to cut down on the diet. Calories should be reduced, especially after 50. Every pound or even ounce of excess flesh is a menace to the health and length of years of old people. Eat right, live right, and enjoy good health and length of days.

Virginia voters to vote on constitution change on Jan. 9.

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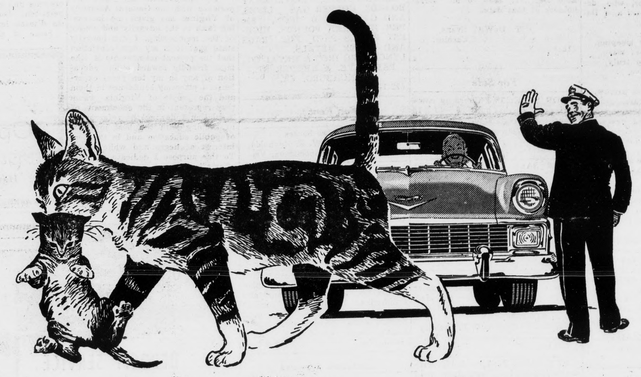

Two things that make for SAFER driving!

The first and most important thing is you—the driver. As the highway safety organizations and law enforcement agencies point out, the courtesy, care, and common sense you show count more than anything else. You can drive *any* car safely — or foolishly.

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